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FM AMEMBASSY CAIRO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 4143

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SUBJECT: SUEZ CANAL OPENING CEREMONIES

REF: STATE 116457 CAIRO 4377, STATE 116739

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED WRITTEN INVITATIONS FOR AMERICAN SHIOPWNERS
REPRESENTATIVES (WALSH AND SCOTT) AND PANAMA CANAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS
(FAY AND PRICE). EMBASSY WILL HOLD INVITATIONS PENDING ARRIVAL
INVITEES.

2. SUEZ CANAL AUTHORITY (SCA) WILL ASSUME COST OF FIRST CLASS HOTEL
ACCOMODATIONS, MEALS AND TRANSPORT FOR THE ENTIRE STAY OF INVITEES.
SCA HAS RESERVED HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS. ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE MADE TO
GREET GUESTS UPON THEIR ARRIVAL AT CAIRO AIRPORT ON JUN 3 OR
JUNE 4. SCA HAS REQUESTED ON PRIORITY BASES ETA AND FLIGHT NUMBER
OF EACH INVITED GUEST.

3. SUMMARY OF PROGRAM AS FOLLOWS:

JUNE 3-4 RECEPTION FOR GUESTS AT AIRPORT AND TRANSPORT TO HOTELS.

JUNE 4 (FOR GUESTS WHO ARRIVE JUNE 3)

MORNING SIGHTSEEING TOUR

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SOUND AND LIGHT PROGRAM AT THE PYRAMIDS

JUNE 5 EARLY DEPARTURE FROM CAIRO BY BUS TO REACH PORT SAID BEFORE
9:30 A.M. TO ATTEND REOPENING CEREMONIES.
EMBARK FOR TRANSIT FROM PORT SAID TO ISMAILIA
LUNCH ON BOARD SHIP
ARRIVAL ISMAILIA ABOUT 1800
RETURN TO CIAOR - DINNER IN CAIRO

JUNE 6 HALF DAY SIGHTSEEING TOUR
SCA RECEPTEIN AT NILE HILTON HOTEL AT 2000

JUNE 7 VISIT SCA HEADQUARTERS AT ISMAILIA (ON GUESTS REQUEST)
LUNCH AT SCA YACHT CLUB AT ISMAILIA
RETURN TO CAIRO

JUNE 8 DEPARTURE FROM EGYPT

4. EMBASSY WILL ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS FOR
INVITEES UPON RECEIPT ETA INFORMATION.

5. ACTION REQUESTED . PLEASE INFORM INVITEES CONTENTS ABOVE AND
SUPPLY REQUESTED TRAVEL INFORMATION.

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